Regula amendment that eliminates \$3 million for Montana land acquisition and applies \$2 million to the Idaho Snake river project and \$1 million to the West Eugene, Oregon wetlands project; Page H4445

Regula amendment that increases National Park Service backlog maintenance funding by \$66.5 million; Page H4452

Maloney of New York amendment No. 44 printed in the Congressional Record that revises Mineral Management Service royalty-in-kind procedures and allows payment for the transportation to wholesale market centers and processing of royalty production taken in kind;

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Regula amendment that increases National Park Service land acquisition funding by \$20 million;

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Regula amendment that decreases construction funding for the Escalante Science Center by \$1 million and applies it to the National Trail Center in Casper, Wyoming;

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Ose amendment that strikes section 122 which prohibited funding to establish a National Wildlife Refuge in the Yolo Bypass of California;

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Hinchey amendment that increases funding for land acquisition for the Everglades National Park by \$9 million; Pages H4161-62

Hill amendment that makes available \$500,000 for the acquisition of the Traveler's Rest campsite in Montana:

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Regula amendment that allows the Bureau of Land Management to reissue grazing permits when it is unable to process expiring permits because of funding shortfalls;

Taylor of Mississippi amendment that makes available \$2 million for the acquisition of Cat Island, Mississippi with offsets from the Energy Information Administration activities; Pages H4478-79

Rejected:

DeFazio amendment No. 35 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for Forest Service recreation programs by \$26 million and decrease Department of Energy petroleum technology programs by \$53 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 276); and

Pages H4462-66, H4477

Wu amendment No. 31 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for Fish and Wildlife habitat management programs by \$14.7 million and decrease timber sales management funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 277).

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Withdrawn:

Kucinich amendment No. 41 was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to require a report by the Fish and Wildlife Service on genetically engineered fish;

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Inslee amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to strike section 116, that provides for the processing of expiring grazing permits; and

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Dicks amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to exempt authorized activities related to national monuments and the Columbia Basin Ecosystem from limitations imposed under the Act (Subsequently agreed by unanimous consent to consider an amendment offered by Representative Dicks in the Committee of the Whole with debate times specified and allocated).

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Point of Order Sustained:

Language on page 18 dealing with the allocation of water from central and southern Florida to the Everglades; Pages H4452-54

The House agreed to H. Res. 524, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill on June 13.

Meeting Hour—Thursday, June 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 15.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4342.

Referrals: S. 1507 was referred to the Committees on Resources and Commerce. Page H4482

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H4485.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4341, H4366, H4435, H4436, H4445, H4446, H4477, and H4478. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY FUTURES MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research, and Specialty Crops held a hearing on H.R. 4541, Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from C. Robert Paul, General Counsel, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Lewis A. Sachs, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury; Patrick M. Parkinson, Associate Director, Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Annette L. Nazareth, Director, Division of Market Regulation, SEC.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY— SECURITY FAILURES

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on security failures at the Lost Alamos National Laboratory. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: T.J. Glauthier, Deputy Secretary; Gen. Eugene Habiger, USAF (Ret.), Director, Office of Security and Emergency Operations; Edward J. Curran, Director, Office of Counterintelligence; Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Gioconda, USAF, Acting Deputy Administrator, Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration; and John C. Browne, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory.

MEDICAL FINANCIAL PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 4585, Medical Financial Privacy Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Gary Gensler, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

SMOTHERING EDUCATION REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Education Task Force held a hearing on Smothering Education Reform, How Washington Stifles Innovation. Testimony was heard from Senator Hutchinson, State of Arkansas; Eugene Hickok, Secretary of Education, State of Pennsylvania; and a public witness.

MEDICARE'S REGULATORY BURDEN ON PROVIDERS

Committee on the Budget: Health Task Force held a hearing on Medicare's Regulatory Burden on Providers. Testimony was heard from Robert Berenson, Director, Center for Health Plans and Providers, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Robert Charrow, former Principal Deputy General Counsel, Department of Health and Human Services.

UNSOLICITED ELECTRONIC MAIL ACT

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3113, Unsolicited Electronic Mail Act of 1999.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS: MODERNIZING MEDICARE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing entitled: "Prescription Drugs: Modernizing Medicare for the 21st Century."

Testimony was heard from Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT—AGENCY RESPONSE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing entitled: "Agency Response to the Electronic Freedom of Information Act." Testimony was heard from Joshua Gotbaum, Executive Associate Director and Controller, OMB; Ethan Posner, Deputy Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Henry J. McIntyre, Director, Directorate for the Freedom of Information Security and Review, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

PRIVACY COMMISSION ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4049, Privacy Commission Act.

DOES CONGRESS DELEGATE TOO MUCH POWER TO AGENCIES

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "Does Congress Delegate Too Much Power to Agencies and What Should be Done About It?" Testimony was heard from Senator Brownback; Representative Hayworth; John Spotila, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; and public witnesses.

WESTERN EUROPE—TREATMENT OF RELIGIOUS MINORITIES

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Treatment of Religious Minorities in Western Europe. Testimony was heard from Robert A. Seiple, Ambassador-at-Large, International Religious Freedom, Department of State; T. Jeremy Gunn, Guest Scholar, U.S. Institute of Peace; and public witnesses.

SAFETY OF CITIZENS TRAVELING IN MEXICO; CHALLENGES TO HEMISPHERIC DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere approved for full Committee action, as amended, H. Con. Res. 232, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the safety and wellbeing of United States citizens injured while traveling in Mexico.

The Committee also held a hearing on Challenges to Hemispheric Democracy: Elections, Coups, and

Instability. Testimony was heard from Representative Conyers; and Ambassador Lino Gutierrez, Principle Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State.

OVERSIGHT—AIRLINE INDUSTRY—STATE OF COMPETITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the State of Competition in the Airline Industry. Testimony was heard from Senator Fitzgerald; Representatives Jackson of Illinois and Slaughter; John Nannes, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Nancy McFadden, General Counsel; and Paul Galis, Deputy Associate Administrator, Airports, FAA; Mike Gordon, Mayor, El Segundo, California; and public witnesses.

ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS ACT

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 4345, Alaska Native Claims Technical Amendments Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from John Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior; and pubic witnesses.

RURAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Rural Health Care Services: Has Medicare Reform Killed Small Business Providers? Testimony was heard from Cathy Buro, Deputy Director, Health Plans and Providers, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

SSA—PROCESSING OF ATTORNEY FEES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the processing of attorney fees by the SSA. Testimony was heard from William C. Taylor, Deputy Associate Commissioner, Hearings and Appeals, SSA; Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

BOSNIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: On Tuesday, June 13, Commission concluded hearings to examine the situation five years after the Dayton Agreement which ended the war in Bosnia, focusing on whether the Dayton Agreement has encouraged the restoration of multi-ethnic Bosnian state, or perpetuated the ethnic divisions created by aggression and ethnic cleansing, after receiving testimony from Gen. Wesley K. Clark, U.S. Army, former Supreme

Allied Commander Europe; James Pardew, Principal Deputy Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Kosovo and Dayton Implementation; Robert Barry, Head of Mission, OSCE Mission to Bosnia-Herzegovina; Haris Silajdzic, Member, Bosnian Parliament, and former Prime Minister of Bosnia-Herzegovina; Selim Beslagic, Mayor of the municipality of Tuzla; and Milan Trbojevic, Republika Srpska.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings on certain provisions of S. 2557, to protect the energy security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50 percent by the Year 2010 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources, conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies, mitigating the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on the United States General Accounting Office March 2000 report entitled "Need to Address Management Problems that Plague the Concessions Program", 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Sub-committee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed highway diesel fuel sulfur regulations, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine issues dealing with the changing threat of international terrorism, focusing on the report of the National Commission on Terrorism, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Paul C. Huck, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida; the nomination of Joan Humphrey Lefkow, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; the nomination of George Z. Singal, of Maine, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine; the nomination of John W. Darrah, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; and the nomination of Johnnie B. Rawlinson, of Nevada, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, 5 p.m., SD–226.